

**State Agencies' Action Plan Status Report
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REGIONAL RESPONSE						
Reg-1	Assist regional recovery entities	GSRO	2.5	374,000	<p>Provide assistance to local governments, tribal and other regional leaders as regional recovery entities are being formed.</p>	<p>Providing on-going assistance to Lower Columbia Fish Recovery Board, Tri-County (Puget Sound), and Upper Columbia, including: facilitating workshops, co-chairing state caucuses, participating in core staff teams, facilitating development of Memorandums of Agreements, assisting in development of grant applications by Lead Entities and others, and administering restoration grants.</p> <p>WDFW Watershed Stewardship Teams of biologists are assigned to support each Lead Entity. Also, species specialist assigned by WDFW to assist with the Lower Columbia Fish Recovery Board recovery plan.</p>
					<p>Assist regional recovery entities when developing regional salmon recovery plans.</p>	<p>GSRO is a member of the Lower Columbia Fish Recovery Board Recovery Planning Steering Committee. Developed outline, workplan and schedule for multi-species regional salmon recovery plan. Convened 2 regional workshops on ESA and the SSRS. Serve as chair for technical team. Participated in regional project selection teams.</p>
					<p>Work with local entities to assure regional recovery efforts incorporate sound science and are consistent with state and federal laws and the Statewide Strategy to Recover Salmon (SSRS).</p>	<p>Represented the Governor's office with regional boards, lead entities, and local watershed groups to monitor and advise on consistency of efforts with the SSRS and facilitate the development of three Habitat Conservation Plans for irrigators.</p>
					<p>Facilitate active and timely state participation in all phases of regional response planning and implementation.</p>	<p>Co-chair state caucus for Lower Columbia Fish Recovery Board to facilitate state participation. Serve as point of contact for 10 watershed planning units in Eastern Washington. Serve on six technical advisory committees for limiting habitat factors analyses. Actively participated in shorelines and stormwater programmatic and regional responses.</p>
					<p>Coordinate state review and response to draft regional plans.</p>	<p>Initiated state review of draft regional recovery strategy.</p>

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Reg-2	Create toolbox of recovery materials	GSRO	1.25	195,000	Encourage and monitor development of toolbox materials.	Developed list of existing materials and summarized contents. Developed preliminary list of needs and target completion dates. Developed a collection of education tools and activities (Salmon Trunk) with salmon recovery outreach suitable for K-12 and adults. Trunks are available in various WDFW regional offices. Developed 10 leaflets targeted at specific audiences such as boaters, farmers and homeowners outlining 10 things people could do to recover salmon. Also produced a video on salmon recovery for public distribution.
					Collect and disseminate the materials as they are prepared.	Ongoing
					Prepare guidance for watershed assessment and planning for use by local watershed entities.	Prepared discussion papers and briefed the Joint Natural Resources Cabinet on statewide watershed assessment criteria and watershed conservation plan guidelines. Convened science workgroup to draft watershed assessment criteria (see Sci-4). Convened key participants group to develop decision process and timeline and identify key issues for watershed planning guidelines. Began outreach to local and watershed groups.
Reg-3	Provide technical assistance and funding to regional entities		27.2	6,916,850	Continue to assist local entities with development of proposals to protect and restore freshwater and estuarine habitat through restoration projects, conservation easements and property acquisition.	WDFW implemented the Watershed Stewardship Team, comprised of 16 field staff who provide technical assistance to 23 lead entities created under the Salmon Recovery Planning Act. Assisted local entities with development of restoration proposals to the Salmon Recovery Funding Board. (Also see Sci-4)
					Provide engineering support for complex habitat restoration projects.	Engineering needs survey was completed.
					Provide \$2.5 million in grants for operation of lead entities.	21 Lead Entities have been provided operational support.

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Reg-4	Expand the development of local watershed salmon responses	ECY	23	12,198,000	Fund additional watershed planning units.	40 Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs) (64%) are engaged in watershed planning under the Watershed Planning Act. 11 of these 40 are in one of the 16 water critical basins identified in the Statewide Strategy to Recover Salmon.
					Work with and support existing planning units on their watershed assessments and plan development.	Each watershed planning unit has dedicated ECY staff to provide support as they move forward with assessment and planning work. ECY coordinates the involvement of other technical staff to provide support to the planning unit as requested.
					Organize state agency caucuses for each watershed planning unit.	Each active planning unit has a designated caucus of state agency representatives. Caucuses met when they were needed. ECY provided regular updates to the caucus members. A statewide caucus coordinating statewide issues met on a regular basis.
					Provide input and assistance to other local watershed planning efforts such as the Tri-County Water Resources Inventory Area (WRIA) level efforts.	ECY has dedicated staff to provide input and coordination on Tri-County watershed planning efforts. State agencies provided direct assistance and input on the watershed assessment work that Tri-County is developing for their WRIA planning efforts.
					Coordinate with local entities formed under 2496 and other watershed groups.	17 WRIAs have the same lead agency/lead entity. Watershed planning grants require that these efforts are coordinated. Many of the watershed leads are actively involved on local salmon recovery committees.
Reg-5	Complete the limiting factors analysis	CC	8	1,968,000	Continue to develop limiting factors analysis for Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs) critical to salmon recovery and publish reports.	19 Limiting Factors Analysis reports are complete, 11 more are under development, 12 WRIAs not yet initiated.

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Reg-6	Provide grants for salmon recovery	SRFB, IAC, WDFW	0	69,211,071	Provide state and federal grants for salmon recovery project activities.	Salmon Recovery Funding Board (SRFB) provided approximately \$32 million (194 projects) in the first round of the grant cycle. SRFB has established criteria and guidelines for the "Second Round 2000" grant cycle and issued a call to Lead Entities for lists of projects to be submitted by October 30, 2000. Funding decisions will be made January 2001.
					Provide \$1 million in grants for Goldsborough Creek restoration.	Project underway, agreement between state and federal agencies, and Simpson Timber Company was signed in July 2000. Removal of the dam is planned to start spring 2001.
					Continue to provide funding for land conservation to support salmon recovery objectives using other grant programs such as Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account (ALEA) and Regional Fisheries Enhancement Group (RFEG) account.	Quarterly funding available through RFEGs and ALEA.
Reg-7	Administer Salmon Recovery Grants	IAC	13.6	1,853,238	Staff Salmon Recovery Funding Board (SRFB).	IAC is providing staffing and administrative support to the SRFB. Staff liaison are between SRFB and others agencies.
					Ensure close coordination and information sharing between SRFB and science groups including the Independent Science Panel (ISP).	SRFB is working closely with all salmon recovery players, including science groups and the ISP. (Also see Sci-2)
					Assist the SRFB in developing guidelines and using guidelines from science group and workgroups to develop criteria for salmon project and activity funding related to scientific aspects of salmon recovery.	SRFB has developed grant guidelines with the assistance of science groups for grant applications and developed white papers on issues of importance to the SRFB.
Reg-8	Provide Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP) grants for Salmon Habitat Projects	IAC	0	25,000,000	Continue to provide funding grants for land conservation, which support salmon recovery objectives using WWRP Habitat Conservation Account.	A list of prioritized WWRP habitat projects and funding request has been developed by the IAC. The list will be submitted to the Governor for submission to the 2001 Legislature for approval.

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Reg-9	Provide Technical Assistance to local governments and landowners	PSAT, ECY, CC, WDFW	0	2,860,137	<p>Continue to provide technical assistance and funding to Conservation Districts, and private landowners for water quality projects related to salmon.</p> <p>Continue to assist local entities with development of proposals to protect and restore freshwater and estuarine habitat through restoration projects, conservation easements and property acquisition.</p> <p>Provide technical assistance for water quality, stormwater management and habitat protection to local governments and other entities.</p>	<p>Conservation District technical staff were funded by the Conservation Commission - 9 licensed engineers, 9 dairy waste management technicians, 22 other technicians serving landowners. WDFW & ECY assisted the Conservation Districts with salmon restoration projects, where possible.</p> <p>Provided technical support for review of proposed sediment cleanup actions in Puget Sound. Assisted the Conservation Commission with Technical Advisory Groups for development of Limiting Factors Analysis and associated salmon habitat restoration projects.</p> <p>Assisted locals in developing responses to ESA listings for Puget Sound chinook and Hood Canal summer chum. Provided review and comment on proposed Critical Area Ordinances, Shoreline Master program revisions, flood plain enhancement projects, and drainage district plans. Provided technical support for the integration of estuarine habitat into watershed planning efforts. Provided coordination and consultation on marine development projects. Worked with conservation districts to track use of 1999 Puget Sound funds and to reach agreement on FY00 funds; participated in development of proposals (2496 process) to protect and restore freshwater and estuarine habitat in 8 Puget Sound counties; provided continuous and on-going technical assistance for water quality, stormwater management and habitat protection to local governments and other entities in all 12 Puget Sound counties.</p>
	Subtotal		75.55	120,576,296		
	Grand Total		520.45	247,045,557		